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OF MENINGITIS DUE TO H. INFLUENZAE AND OTHER BACTERIA IN  
EGYPT - OFFICIAL TRAVEL OF DR. JAMES HILL, DR. GEORGE  
GALASSO, AND DR. WILLIAM JORDAN

PASS TO SCIATT ADDISON RICHMOND

1. DRS. HILL, GALASSO, AND JORDAN, ALL OF THE NATIONAL  
INSTITUTE OF ALLERGY AND INFECTIOUS DISEASES, WILL TRAVEL  
TO EGYPT. THEY WILL REVIEW WITH DR. EL KHOLY, PRINCIPAL  
INVESTIGATOR SUBJECT AGREEMENT, THE PROGRESS OF PROJECT  
AND MAKE AN ASSESSMENT OF IT. THIS TRIP WILL ENABLE THEM  
TO MAKE A DECISION CONCERNING POTENTIALLY PRODUCTIVE LINES  
OF FUTURE INVESTIGATION ESPECIALLY AS RELATED TO EVALUATION  
OF VARIOUS VACCINES AND THE ADVISABILITY OF RENEWING THE  
AGREEMENT FOR AN ADDITIONAL THREE YEARS.

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2. DR. GALASSO WISHES TO HAVE EXPLORATORY DISCUSSIONS  
WITH CAPTAIN RAYMOND WATTEN OF THE POSSIBILITY OF EN-  
LISTING NAMRU 3 IN COLLABORATIVE STUDIES OF INTERFERON, IN  
CONJUNCTION WITH VACCINE, AND INTERFERON, ALONE, AS A  
TREATMENT FOR CLINICAL RABIES. THESE STUDIES WOULD INVOLVE  
PATIENTS WITH CLINICAL RABIES IN AN EFFORT TO DETERMINE  
THE EFFICACY OF THE ANTIVIRAL INTERFERON. DR. GALASSO HAS

DISCUSSED THESE INTERESTS WITH DR. LEON JACOBS, U.S. CO-CHAIRMAN, BIOMEDICAL RESEARCH SUBCOMMITTEE, AND WITH DR. WILLIAM WINKLER, WHO PREPARED THE JANUARY 1978 REPORT OF THE SUBCOMMITTEE ON RABIES. BOTH HAVE ENDORSED THESE EXPLORATORY DISCUSSIONS. GALASSO HAS SUPPORTED DR. T. C. MERIGAN AT STANFORD UNIVERSITY AND IS AWARE THAT DR. MATILDA KRIM OF SLOAN KETTERING IS ALSO PROPOSING ANALOGOUS STUDIES. DR. GALASSO IS AWARE, THROUGH DISCUSSIONS WITH DR. WINKLER, THAT CDC HAS EXTENSIVE PROGRAM INTEREST IN SUCH STUDIES AND HAS DISCUSSED THEM WITH NAMRU 3, AND ALSO, THAT CDC IS CONSIDERING A BROAD RABIES STUDY WHICH WILL INCLUDE DR. IMAN ZAGHOUL'S VIROLOGY AND VACCINE LABORATORIES AND THE EGYPTIAN DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE WHICH HAS RESPONSIBILITY FOR CONTROL PROGRAMS.

3. DRS. HILL, GALASSO AND JORDAN ETA JUNE 18 VIA TW 800 AT 1430. NO HOTEL RESERVATIONS REQUIRED.

4. USDO AUTHORIZED ADVANCE PER DIEM FOR SIX DAYS AND \$50.00 FOR MISCELLANEOUS TO EACH.

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6. NIH REQUESTS CONCURRENCE OR NOTIFICATION IF TRIP IS INAPPROPRIATE. CHRISTOPHER

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